105TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2961

To permit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to enter into cooperative research and development agreements for environmental protection.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

November 8, 1997

Mr. OLVER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO COOPERATIVE RE-
- 4 SEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS.
- 5 The Administrator of the Environmental Protection
- 6 Agency may, subject to section 2, enter into cooperative
- 7 research and development agreements with colleges and
- 8 universities, environmental protection agencies of the sev-
- 9 eral States, and nonprofit organizations to participate in

- 1 a cooperative research unit to develop adequate, coordi-
- 2 nated, cooperative research and training programs relat-
- 3 ing to the protection of the environment.

4 SEC. 2. LIMITATIONS.

- 5 The participation of the Environmental Protection
- 6 Agency in a cooperative research unit under an agreement
- 7 referred to in section 1 shall be limited to the following:
- 8 (1) The assignment by the Administrator of sci-
- 9 entific personnel of the Environmental Protection
- Agency to serve at the cooperative research unit
- 11 under the terms of the agreement.
- 12 (2) The provision of assistance (including rea-
- sonable financial compensation) for the work of re-
- searchers on environmental protection projects con-
- ducted pursuant to the agreement.
- 16 (3) The provision, for the use of the cooperative
- 17 research unit in carrying out its purposes under the
- agreement, of any equipment available to the Sec-
- retary for such purposes.
- 20 (4) The payment of incidental expenses of the
- 21 personnel of the Environmental Protection Agency
- and of employees of any other entity assigned to the
- cooperative research unit under the agreement.